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1. SUBJECT OF REFERENCES, HERBERT ITKIN, IS PROPOSED AS DEFENSE WITNESS IN LIBEL SUIT AGAINST LONDON DAILY MAIL STARTING MARCH - APRIL 1971. BASIS OF SUIT IS NEWS ARTICLE THAT PLAINTIFF HAD MAFIA AFFILIATIONS AND ITKIN CLAIMS TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH CONNECTIONS. THIS IS PURELY PRIVATE MATTER. ITKIN HAS NO REPEAT NO CURRENT CONNECTION WITH JKLANCE AND HIS PROPOSED TRAVEL LONDON FOR THIS LAWSUIT COMPLETELY UNRELATED TO JKLANCE, ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO HIS APPEARANCE FOR THIS PURPOSE. YOU MAY WISH TO ALERT (SMORANGES.)

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